**Chairperson:** Supervisor James G. White, 278-4257

**Committee Clerk:** Carol Mueller, 278-4228 **Research Analyst:** Brian Dranzik, 278-5290

# COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSIT <u>Tuesday, May 2, 2006 - 9:00 A.M.</u> Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

#### **MINUTES**

TAPE #18 SIDE A, 682-EOT TAPE #19 SIDE A, 01-503

**PRESENT:** Supervisors Mayo, Nyklewicz, Weishan, Devine, Dimitrijevic, Quindel and White (Chair) 7

# **SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

## Resolution - 1

1. 06-237 A resolution from Supervisors West and Clark authorizing and directing

the Superintendent of Transportation to submit a request for proposals for A682-EOT interested parties to operate food service at the Courthouse Cafeteria.

B01-51

### **APPEARANCES:**

County Board Supervisor Peggy West, District 12 County Board Supervisor Toni Clark, District 2

Supervisor West explained how the current contract is with Aramark on a month-to-month basis and has been for the last four years. The food is less than desirable and the selection is lacking and costly. Because of the parking, time constraints and the convenience of the cafeteria many employees and jurors rely on the cafeteria daily. It is over seven years since this contract has been out for bids. Currently, the UW Extension is reviewing the dietary content for the House of Correction (HOC).

Supervisor Clark agreed with Supervisor West over the numerous complaints regarding quality, price, healthy choices and service with the current vendor. We need to see if another food service provider could give us more for our money. There have been discussions for the possibility of a partnership with MATC's culinary students to use the cafeteria for on-the-job training.

Supervisor Devine would like a report from staff on not only the dietary content, but also the prospect of financial savings with the RFP for the HOC and the Criminal Justice Facility.

Mr. Dranzik clarified Aramark's contract with the HOC that it is a separate contract and has to follow State statute guidelines.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) To approve (VOTE 7-0)

AYES: Mayo, Nyklewicz, Weishan, Devine, Dimitrijevic, Quindel and

White (Chair) -7 **NOES:** None

# **Department of Public Works – 1**

2. 06T18 From the Director of Transportation and Public Works, a report on the project status of a request for proposal to provide guaranteed energy

savings performance contracting to repair County building infrastructure.

(FOR INFORMATION ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

## **APPEARANCES:**

Greg High, Director, Architecture Engineering and Environmental Jim Krol, Honeywell Inc.

Mr. High presented a status report. With the assistance of internal staff, DAS, Corporation Counsel, Parks Department and DPW, a consensus has been reached on the process of issuing the Request for Proposal (RFP). A draft RFP and schedule is included in the report. A recommendation will be presented to the Committee in September.

Supervisor Dimitrijevic thank all staff and departments involved in their hard work over the last month to get through this very complicated process.

Mr. Krol from Honeywell has been trying to promote energy saving contracts since 2001. This process is utilized by numerous other entities to recognized energy savings. The savings on energy can be used to help fund capital costs. Upon review of the draft RFP he is in agreement with our process.

The Committee took no action on this item.

# Parks Department – 1

3. 06-178 From Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture, concurring with a policy change to amend Ordinance Chapter 47.10 Parks & O6-178(a) Parkways, speed limit revision on Lincoln Memorial Drive to 30 mph 24 hours a day. (Transportation, Public Works and Transit and Parks, B172-194 Energy and Environment)

This request is from ongoing discussions, over the years, with the Milwaukee Police Department regarding enforcement problems due to the inconsistent speed limits on Lincoln Memorial Drive. Numerous tickets have been challenged in court and dismissed. The County's Transportation Division did a study of traffic and recommended the speed limit of 30 mph.

# **ACTION BY: (Mayo) To approve (VOTE 6-1)**

AYES: Mayo, Weishan, Devine, Dimitrijevic, Quindel and White (Chair)-6

**NOES:** Nyklewicz-1

# **Transportation Services – 1**

4. 05-547 (a)(a)

From the Director of Transportation and Public Works requesting authorization to amend Resolution, File No. 05-547, regarding the number of days used to calculate interest on cost share billings to local municipalities with a written request and a consistent rate of interest (12%) used in the calculation.

B195-569

### **APPEARANCES:**

George Torres, Director, Transportation and Public Works

Mr. Torres explained the need to have some flexibility on the timeframe of 60 days with a written request. He also emphasized the need for a firm interest rate for past due invoices. The past due amounts are in the millions and are more than two years old. The past due invoices involve only two municipalities. The initiation of this resolution has encouraged payment of approximately 80% of the outstanding invoices. Mr. Torres is meeting next week with the Mayor of Greenfield to clean up items on their remaining balance. Some municipalities are selective in their participation of the cost-sharing program.

Numerous Supervisors felt the municipalities have been misinformed, lack information, clarification and education regarding the cost sharing plan. Short-term cost and long-term savings result when repairs are completed now instead of waiting seven years for a total rebuild of our roads. Municipalities can recognize long-term savings now, if they participate at a five percent cost opposed to a ten percent cost on a total rebuilding of our roads.

Clarification was made that the resolution pertains to the payment and interest proposed on past due balances, not on the policy. The policy is an opportunity for municipalities to save money by participating in the cost-sharing plan. Changing the interest rate to a rate higher than they can borrow money encourages prompter payments.

ACTION BY: (Devine) To refer to County Board staff for more information (VOTE 3-4) motion fails

AYES: Weishan, Devine, Quindel -3

NOES: Mayo, Nyklewicz, Dimitrijevic and White (Chair)-4

**ACTION BY: (NYKLEWICZ) FOR APPROVAL (VOTE 6-1)** 

AYES: Mayo, Nyklewicz, Weishan, Dimitrijevic, Quindel and

White (Chair)-6 **NOES:** Devine -1

# General Mitchell International Airport - 3

5. 06-235 From the Director of Transportation and Public Works requesting authorization to renew Airport Agreement No. TB-1501 with the Mark

B570-584 Travel Corporation regarding a month-to-month rental of approximately 200 square feet of office space located in the baggage claim area effective April 1, 2006.

## **APPEARANCES:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport Joseph Waller, HMS Host

The length of the month-to-month lease was discussed. Mr. Bateman feels Mark Travel will choose to move into the new concourse upon completion.

#19A Taken out of order

Mr. Waller commented on the great partnership he has with the Airport and County Board and would like to continue that relationship.

Additionally, he is always looking for new vendors and ways to expand their operations.

**ACTION BY: (MAYO) To approve (VOTE 7-0)** 

AYES: Mayo, Nyklewicz, Weishan, Devine, Dimitrijevic, Quindel and

White (Chair)-7 **NOES:** None

**B608-EOT** 

01-447

6. 06T19 From the Director of Transportation and Public Works and the Airport

Director, a report on the Airport food and beverage request for proposal

B585-607 timeline. (FOR INFORMATION ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED

BY THE COMMITTEE)
APPEARANCES:

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport

A timeline for the request for proposal was presented. There were questions regarding operation authority of the Airport when this contract comes up for renewal.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

7. 06T20 From the Director of Transportation and Public Works and the Airport

Director, a report on Airport revenue streams used to cover operating

expenses and cross-charges. (FOR INFORMATION ONLY UNLESS

#19 Side A OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

#### **APPEARANCES:**

Barry Bateman, Director, General Mitchell International Airport Tony Snieg, Deputy Airport Director

Discussion ensued on the report regarding percentages of cross-charges and revenues in regards to prior years. Mr. Snieg responded to questions on the revenues and cross-charges. Except for security costs which are a result of 911, overall cross-charges have remained consistent over the last five years. Twenty-seven percent of revenues are from the airlines. Parking fees generate the largest balance of revenues at 36%. Revenue and Passenger Facility bonds fund construction projects.

Questions were asked of Mr. Bateman under whose direction did he submit draft legislation to the FAA. Mr. Bateman is currently responding in writing to the County Board Chairman. Mr. Bateman stated he has been defensive of Milwaukee County in his discussions. He agreed that the County is a good steward and the airport is fiscally sound. There was considerable discussion on the matter of the Airport Authority legislation. Numerous members of the Committee voiced their concerns with the lack of information provided to them as the legislative branch of County government. The process deliberately excluded the Board or the citizens of Milwaukee County from participating in any discussions. A serious breach of process is happening between the executive and legislative branches of County government.

Supervisor Quindel discussed some agreements that Milwaukee County has with Midwest Express. He pointed out, how much help the County has provided for their organization. He compared the Supervisors' outrage with the Airport Authority legislation similar to the financial problems of the Department on Aging a few years ago. The Board has been kept in the dark regarding major policy issues due to private meetings held with the County Executive and department heads. Supervisor Quindel suggested we should not beat up the messengers when they are just following the orders of their boss. There was no factual basis used to support proposed changes of the current operations of the airport.

Supervisor White pointed out that the County Board of Supervisors holds the jurisdiction of Milwaukee County regarding policy determinations. Additionally, the Federal Aviation Administration is the only body that can grant any entity to run an airport.

Supervisor Weishan directed his comments to the representative of Midwest Express, Craig Bremmer. He stated that contrary to recent articles in the paper regarding cross-charges, interest expense and security costs make up three quarters of the these charges.

Clarification regarding airport funds used to help finance Milwaukee County expenses was made. This practice has not been used to help fund Milwaukee County expenses for approximately four years.

Supervisor Broderick expressed his opinions regarding the attitude of the County Executive. The County Executive is currently on a road show throughout the State of Wisconsin presenting a slide show with the last option being the elimination of County government. The Executive finds it easier making decisions without considering the voice of the citizens. It is hard to run the County like a business when your basis is a zero tax increase. The rising costs for utilities and fuel alone have increased more than ten percent. Supervisor Broderick is very troubled with the way the Executive has intentionally neglected the Boards policy-making authority. This will continue to happen unless the people of Milwaukee County pay attention. The proposal regarding the elimination of County government should not be taken lightly.

ACTION BY: (NYKLEWICZ) To refer this item to the Department of Audit to make a comparison of costs with Milwaukee County and comparable airports. Chairman White asked to include specific focus on law enforcement costs (VOTE 7-0)

AYES: Mayo, Nyklewicz, Weishan, Devine, Dimitrijevic, Quindel and

White (Chair)-7 **NOES:** None

# Fund Transfer - 4

8. 06T21 From Director of Transportation and Public Works, requesting approval of a fund transfer for \$305,000 for Capital Project WJ005-Repair and Paint HOC Water Tower, regarding foregoing repairs and painting of the water tower in lieu of connecting to the City of Franklin water main.

(RECOMMENDATION: Approval to Finance and Audit Committee)

### SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 FOR COMMITTEE ACTION.

9. 06T22 From Director of Transportation and Public Works, and Parks Director, requesting approval of a fund transfer for \$163,000 for Capital Project WP062012-Golf Clubhouse Renovation, for a change in scope.

(RECOMMENDATION: Approval to Finance and Audit Committee)

### SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 FOR COMMITTEE ACTION.

10. 06T23 From Director of Transportation and Public Works and the Airport Director, requesting approval of a fund transfer for \$1,670,000 for Capital Project WA044011-GMIA In-line Baggage Screening System Ticketing Areas, for the planning and design of phase one. Funding is from Airport Passenger Facility Charges. Continued funding is requested as part of 2007 Capital Improvement budget. (RECOMMENDATION: Approval to Finance and Audit Committee)

## SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 FOR COMMITTEE ACTION.

11. 06T24 From Director of Transportation and Public Works and the Airport Director, requesting approval of a fund transfer for \$400,000 for Capital Project WA108011-GMIA HVAC Equipment Replacement which is for the design phase of this project. This project is requested as part of 2007 Capital Improvement Budget. In order for replacement to begin in 2007, the design phase should begin in 2006. Funding is from the Airport capital improvement reserve. This will be replaced with bond proceeds upon approval of this project in 2007. (RECOMMENDATION: Approval to Finance and Audit Committee)

ACTION BY (Mayo) Move to approve items 8, 9, 10 & 11 to Finance and Audit Committee. (VOTE 7-0)

AYES: Mayo, Nyklewicz, Weishan, Devine, Dimitrijevic, Quindel and

White (Chair) -7 **NOES:** None

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

George Torres, Director, Transportation and Public Works
Barry Bateman, Airport Director, General Mitchell International Airport (GMIA)
Tony Snieg, Deputy Airport Director, General Mitchell International Airport (GMIA)
Greg High, Director Architecture Engineering and Environmental Services
Brian Dranzik, County Board Research Analyst

This meeting was recorded on tape. Committee files contain copies of communications, reports and resolutions, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes is available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting: 9:00 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

Adjourned

Carol Mueller, Committee Clerk

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The deadline for items for the next regular meeting (June 7, 2006) is May 31, 2006. All items for the agenda must be in the Committee Clerk's possession by the end of the business day of Wednesday, May 24, 2006.